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A Fair Minded Man.

Hon. B. S. Wilson, of Morehead, member of the last session of the Legislature from the Bath Rowan district and one of the brightest members of that body, withdrew from the race in favor of T. J. Evans, of Bath county. Mr. Wilson was urged to make the race by scores of Bath county Democrats, and only announced thinking Bath would put up no candidate this time, but when later a Bath man came out, no amount of persuasion from even Bath county Democrats, and even after he had the nomination won, could keep him in the race, as it was Bath's time and he would not break any agreement of the party in the two counties. Mr. Wilson is a brother of Mrs. E. B. McGlone of this city where he has visited and has many friends, who would like to see him returned to the Legislature when Rowan's time comes round two years hence.

Voters Signing a Pledge too.

The voters of Clark county are up in arms against the corruptionists, and have prepared a pledge which obligates themselves to not vote for any candidate using money or liquor in their campaign, and to vote only for the ones not using money or liquor. A rousing meeting was held to rally voters to the support of this measure and in this meeting Judge Benton was among the speakers. He said he would sign the pledge, and in doing so he would cut himself loose from all promises he had made any candidates. At this meeting 147 voters signed the pledge as quickly as they could get to it. It is predicted that 3,000 of 4,000 voters of the county will readily sign the pledge.

School Per Capita.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Hamlett, announced that the school per capita for the scholastic year of 1912 and 1913 and been fixed at \$4 the same as last year. The per capita was made on an estimated revenue of \$3,038,000. The school census for the year 1913 in the rural school district is: White, 531,897; colored, 52,946, making a total of 584,843, and in the cities, white, 111,484; colored, 25,486, making a total of 136,970. The school census for 1913 shows a falling off of 12,236, which is attributed to the fact that there is no fraud in the taking of the census.

Gets Leg Cut Off.

Henry Huggins, single, brakeman on an L. & E. freight, got his left leg cut off in this city Saturday afternoon while on duty by freight train. He was rushed immediately by special train to a hospital at Lexington. Latest reports are that he is getting along as well as could be expected.

Several dogs in the city and county have gone mad and been killed the past several days. Excessive hot weather is supposed to originate hydrophobia in dogs when it is transferred to other dogs, animals and human beings by bites from dogs, cats or other animals born with their eyes closed.

To the Voters of 23rd Judicial District:

Again I address you through the newspapers because the holding of the courts take my time and prevent me from seeing many of you in person.

I do not depend on the recommendation of a few made without regard to any fitness for the office of Circuit Judge, but refer to these facts in support of my claims.

The Governor appointed me to the vacancy after consideration of the merit and qualifications of all applicants. He endorses me by that action.

My record of twenty-five years in the practice of law amongst my people endorse me.

The Democratic candidates in Estill and the Democratic County Committee in Estill endorse me.

My record on the bench as Judge, the business I have done and the manner and character of my decisions endorse me.

Ask the attorneys practicing before me whether I am fitted for the place. Some of them will represent you if you have a case in court. Go to Estill and look at my record.

Do you find any need for a change? Why should you vote against me?

Yours very truly,
HUGH RIDDELL.

Give Us a Call.

When you come to the show next Wednesday come around to the Times office and give us a chat, telling us all the news you know and how the candidates are running in your neighborhood. We are for all that have announced in the Times and against all that haven't. Of course we can't vote for all of them but only wish there was a good office for each one.

We Respect our Subscribers.

A representative of a collection agency was here this week and tried to talk us into giving him some of our "hard to collect" subscription accounts. We told him no, we love our subscribers and cannot afford to put their accounts into the hands of a cold-hearted collection agency that can really "draw blood from a turnip."

Attending the Big Fair.

The big Montgomery County Fair is going on at Mt. Sterling this week and many Powell county people are attending and report the fair a great success both from point of exhibits and attendance.

In a difficulty arising in a dispute over an election argument at Richmond Saturday afternoon Sidney Winkler, fifty, stabbed and killed Wade Reeves, thirty-five. Both men had been drinking heavily.

At the Mt. Sterling court market Monday cattle sold well at prevailing high figures and mules also sold high and this too under a full-fledged Democratic administration.

Vaughn's Mill.

Misses Laura and Rosa McKinney, of Spout Spring, visited relatives at this place Saturday and Sunday.

The Sunday school will be held at 2 p. m. instead of 10:30 a. m. Please remember the change and take advantage of it.

Mr. Sam Tipton, of Little Creek, has been seriously ill for some time with the dropsy, but is now much improved.

Messrs. Leonard and Samuel Mize, who have recently returned from Middletown, O., are visiting their father, J. W. Mize, of this place. These boys have

made good and will return to Middletown in a few days.

Supt. S. G. Baker gave a fine lecture on the subject of the Farmers Union at the Methodist church Saturday night. Mr. Baker is one of our leading men and is an interesting speaker as well as a progressive business man.

Mr. Dillard Watson, who has typhoid fever is much improved. He will teach the Little creek school when he is out of danger and that will probably be only a few days. We wish him a speedy and permanent recovery and success in his work.

Little Katherine Mize, aged about eight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mize, and Darthy Nelson, aged six, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Nelson have the typhoid fever. They have a severe attack and show but little improvement at this writing.

Mrs. Melvin Gravett, who has been seriously ill, and for some time lay at the point of death is gradually growing stronger. She was taken to Lexington and returned but slightly improved. The doctors were almost at a loss as to what the disease was so they have decided that it was one of the forms of erysipelas. Mrs. Gravett has the very best of care, and with the advice of her physician, Dr. Northcut, we have every reason to think that she will soon be out of danger and we hope that we shall have the pleasure of seeing her permanently restored to health again.

SPOUT SPRING.

Born, Tuesday, July 22 to Mr. and Mrs. Dave White, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. James Harrison, Saturday, July 12th, a daughter.

Clyde Townsend has returned from Middletown, Ohio, where he has been for several weeks.

M. B. Eubank, of Clark county, weighed up a number of lambs here Monday at 5 1/2 cents.

Elder Paul Derthick, of Stanton, came down Saturday to fill an appointment, but upon learning of the regular services at the Methodist church called in this appointment and attended these services.

STANTON NEWS.

Robert Holder's baby died of summer complaint last Saturday.

Stanton College will employ a matron for the dormitory this coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Handiton are visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Lyle's this week.

Keep your eye on this space for an important announcement is to be made in the near future.

Miss Anna Hardwick visited her sister, Mrs. Mollie Crawford, of Jackson, over Sunday.

Miss Bess Hardwick is visiting Mrs. Nan Hall, of Mt. Sterling, and will take in the Fair while there.

Mr. W. B. Thompson has been working in the express office at Quicksand for the past two weeks.

Mr. James A. Shea our agent at the depot is visiting friends in Nicholas county for the next two weeks.

Mrs. Margaret Wright and daughter, of Lexington, spent several days visiting Charley Rice and family.

Mrs. John Burgher and children are visiting her sister on Hardwick's creek after an absence of several years.

Mrs. J. W. Thomas, of Jacksonville, Florida, is visiting her parents, Major Blackburn and wife for a few days. Her daughter will join her in a few days as she is visiting at Anchorage now.

The Teachers' Institute that was to have been held the first week in August has been postponed indefinitely on account of serious illness in the family of Mr. Eubank who is to hold it. Later announcement will be made as to when it will be held.

Charles Faulkner and L. S. Hamilton, of Winchester, bought eighty-four head of hogs from James Ewen and Robert Conlee this past week. They averaged 212 pounds apiece. Ross Hall sold sixty two head a few days ago that averaged 225 pounds apiece. As hogs are very scarce in this section of the county it looks as though we would have to pay high for our meat and lard this winter.

That was a terrific wind and rain storm we had the other day and it did quite a bit of damage. The roof on one side of Charley Rice's house was blown off and corn was laid to the ground in many places as were several big trees blown down on D. R. Clark's farm and other places. It was so dark at one time that one could not read a paper without a lamp. But the rain that came with the storm was welcome and was badly needed. We have been blessed wonderfully so far with plenty of rain and at the right time. Crops look fine around Stanton and in the Red river valley. In several parts of the country and even in Kentucky they have been having severe drought and the outlook is not very bright.

Several candidates have not yet signed the pledge not to use money or whiskey in their campaign or allow their friends to use it in their behalf. This is your last opportunity

to sign it if you do not want your name published in next week's issue that you refuse to sign it. As there is but one more issue of the Clay City Times before the Primary is held, we will give you another opportunity to sign, and then if you still refuse, we will publish your name. You will find the pledge at the office of this paper or the writer has one. Our county is not alone in this movement for cleaner elections, but it is sweeping all over the state, and we are but falling in line with this movement. With the instruction that Judge Benton is giving to the Grand Jurors in his district, we are assured of his support in the prosecution of any one using money or whiskey either in the primary or the final election. And if the good citizens of the county will back him up in this endeavor to rid our good county of vote buyers, it shall be a service rendered to the county.

The writer spent over Sunday at Spout Spring, in Estill county. It is always a pleasure to go there for there is always a good crowd out to the meetings like they did in the olden days, that the people do not turn out to the services in such crowds as they used to. They tell us when a meeting was announced that the people came for many miles to attend, and they brought their dinner with them and all the people stayed to hear the preaching. The house could not hold half the people and on some days they would adjourn to the grove or under the shade. And such meetings as they would have for the people come for worship in those days and they did not get tired if the preacher talked for two hours and then one or two more followed. On one of the big days they would commence the services at about ten o'clock and preach till dinner time and then after dinner they would continue the preaching till way along in the afternoon. It went on this way till the people got less religion. Then they thought the services were too long and the preachers talked too long and that feeling has grown from that day to this till we have our present day services. And at some of them there is but a mere handful of people where in those same building they could not hold the people. Then we have more Sunday headaches and Sunday ills and pain now than they use to have. And some get their feelings hurt worse now than they use to and use it as an excuse to stay away. The hot weather affects people worse now than it did when the people were more zealous in their worship, and there are a hundred excuses for staying away from the services today where in the days of old they had only one or two. We are told continually today that our preachers preach too long and that it makes them late for their dinner. I do not know what those same persons are going to do if they should get to heaven where they will praise God and sing heavenly songs throughout eternity. They will get awfully tired of it and complain to Gabriel that there is too much of this worshipping going on. If you cannot stand to worship God a little while on Sunday and spend time going to services then you will not be able to stand it in heaven. Oh, that we could have such meetings as they used to have and we could if the people would.